QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Electric lights and water supply to the Municipalities.

41. *Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai: (*Municipal Councils*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware of the great hardships experienced by some of the Municipalities on account of the absence of electric lights and protected water supply ; and

(*b*) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to remove the said hardships ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker (*Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) Government are not aware.

(*b*) It is open to Municipalities to arrange for these amenities.

Alwaye Municipal fund misappropriation.

42. *Mr. Paul A. Thaliath (*Parur, Kunnatnad and Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any action has been taken yet about the complaint in respect of the Alwaye Municipal fund misappropriation and falsification of Municipal accounts ; and

(*b*) whether any orders have been passed on the reports of the Commissioner of Police and Audit Officer in connection with this matter ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) As a result of the enquiries made, Government are satisfied that the allegations are groundless.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath : Am I to understand from the answer that the Alwaye Municipality has not lost any money ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker: The question is whether any enquiries have been made by Government. As a result of the enquiries by Government it is found that there is no misappropriation of Government money and that the Municipality has not lost any Government money.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath : May I know whether any enquiry has been made ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker : An enquiry has been made.

President : What happened in this case was as follows :— A large number of petitions were received by me on both sides and I came to the conclusion that there was a case for an enquiry. An official enquiry was conducted and the result of the enquiry, as stated in the answer, was that the specific allegations that were made were groundless. Thereupon a deputation waited upon me

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and they said that the Enquiry Officer was biased and so the result of the enquiry should not be accepted. I thereupon stated that if a prosecution was filed by the persons who were acquainted with the case and they put forward evidence, Government would give them every assistance in the matter of prosecution. I have heard nothing further about it. It was stated by me on two occasions that Government will help them in the prosecution of the case, give a lawyer if necessary, provided the persons concerned would come forward and give the necessary evidence as complainants. No answer has been forthcoming.

Mr. A. N. Satyanesan (*Nominated*) : മറ്റേതെങ്കിലും മുനിസിപ്പാലിറ്റിയിൽ അക്കൌണ്ട്സ് സംബന്ധിച്ചുള്ള പരാതികൾ ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker : പരാതി ഉണ്ടായിട്ടില്ല.

Registration under the Medical Registration Act.

43. ❋ **Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker** (*Mavelikara and Tiruvalla* cum *Pattanamthitta*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list showing the number of applications for registration under the various systems and branches of medicine as required by the Medical Registration Act, and the number actually registered till now ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker : *A statement containing the information is placed on the table.

Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker : May I know whether the unregistered applications will be duly registered or whether they will remain unregistered due to some defects ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker: Applications so far received will be considered, but not further applications.

Mr. Ravivarma Raja (*Edavaka*) : May I know in what list will Visha Vaidyans come in ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker : That will come under Ayurveda.

Ayurvedic Text Books.

44. ❋ **Mr. A. N. Satyanesan** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether a special staff has been appointed in 1119 to revise Ayurvedic Text Books ; and

(*b*) whether the work was completed in 1119 ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Partly completed.

* *Vide* Appendix 1—p. 103.

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